

CRIMSON TIDE IS STILL HIGH IN BELFAST; AEROGRAM SAYS OLD SANTA COMING XMAS

SEVENTEEN ARE DEAD RESULT OF LAST FEW DAYS' FIGHT

Twenty-five Wounded During Period of Few Days.

ONE KILLED YESTERDAY

Best Reports Indicate Order Restored Late in Evening.

(By Associated Press.) Belfast, Nov. 23.—When darkness fell tonight the death roll as the result of the disorders of the last few days had reached a total of 18. The wounded number 75. Five persons were killed during the day in the sniping and sporadic outbreaks of shooting which took place in various parts of the city. Order had been restored at 8:30 o'clock this morning. At 3 o'clock this afternoon a man standing in Royal avenue was shot. He was watching a boxing which was taking place on another street. During the afternoon a woman was killed and two men and two women were wounded and taken to hospital.

Kiwianis Discuss Their Ideals in a Practical Sense

The Kiwanis Club program yesterday was in charge of C. W. Loveland, chairman of the education committee and consisted of short talks by members of the education committee on the lines of True Ideals of Education. Bob Earnest made an interesting talk on "The Application of the Golden Rule in Business Life." Howard Rowton explained the meaning of a Drum and Bugle, and by the American Legion, to be known as the "KRAC" Drum & Bugle Corps of Palatka. The letter forming the name "KRAC" was read for Kiwanis, Rotary, American Legion, and Chamber of Commerce, and each letter will appear on the emblem of its organization. The club voted the sum of \$75 to be put in its formation. L. Mann rendered a detailed statistical report of the property valuation personal, real and personal in the Interlachen Road and Palatka and showed the excessive cost of the road from Palatka to Hawthorn, which would be borne by Palatka property. Mr. Mann was thanked by the Club for his careful and painstaking work.

First Community Play to Be Given on December First

Thursday December first, at the High School Auditorium the first Community Service plays will be given. Three one-act plays will be produced by local talent that will be "The Neighborly Beans," "The Florist Shop," and "The First of the Month." The first of the plays will begin promptly at 8:15. The plays are being rehearsed under the direction of Miss Oak, of Community Service, and the entire cast of each play is very enthusiastic and are putting their spirit into the rehearsals than has been seen in any amateur production staged in Palatka.

CARRIERS APPEAL FOR ADOPTION OF THEIR PROPOSAL INSTEAD OF THAT INSTITUTED BY THE I. C. C.

(By Associated Press)

Washington, Nov. 23.—A ten per cent reduction in car load freight rates on farm products, coupled with reduction in railroad wages, was proposed by the carriers to the Interstate Commerce Commission today as a substitute for the order of the commission dated October 20, reducing rates on hay and grain shipments.

The substitute schedules would be effective for an experimental period of six months. The commission was asked to reopen its decision of October 20 in order that argument might be given in behalf of their proposal.

The suggested reduction on car load shipments would cover grains, hay, cotton and cotton seed and its products, except meal and oil, citrus and fresh fruits, live stock and dairy products. The scope of the proposed cut in wages was not indicated, the statement merely saying that "the benefits of the reduction thus obtained, from the Railroad Labor Board shall be passed to the public in reduced rates."

SPECIAL SESSION OF SIXTY-SEVENTH CONGRESS COMES TO END WITH MANY CHARGING LENGTH CAUSED IRRITABILITY

President Goes to Capitol to Sign Up Important Measures

(By Associated Press.) Washington, Nov. 23.—The special session of the Sixty-seventh congress ended late today, after President Harding had visited the capitol and signed measures enacted in the closing hours. The house was the first close, adjourning since die at 4:01 and the senate quit at 4:37.

Chief among the measures signed by Mr. Harding were the tax revision and maternity bills. The senate attempted to clean up some 500 odd presidential nominations, but nearly half of the number were left to die under the law. Most of those upon which no action was taken were frequent reference was made in minor postmaster appointments, the closing debate to the length of some saying the work had caused irritability and lack of co-operation among members. Congress will have only a brief respite from its labors, however, convening in regular session on December 8.

Not all of congress will leave Washington for the vacation. Several committees are scheduled to continue their work and others may decide to remain during the recess. The principal questions before committees are railroad legislation and tariff revision.

Virginia and N. C. Will Play Today Despite Quarrell

(By Associated Press.) Raleigh N. C., Nov. 23.—The football game between the University of North Carolina and Virginia will be played at Chapel Hill tomorrow as scheduled, it was announced in several quarters today following conferences between officials of the two institutions as to the eligibility of Johnson, star member of Carolina's backfield. Johnson will be permitted to play, it is understood. Threats had been made to cancel the game.

STRIKE LEADERS DEPORTED.

(By Associated Press.) Tampa, Nov. 23.—Rumors that a number of strike agitators have been deported from the city and actual disappearance of Louis Diaz, a West

BLUEBEARD OF GAMBAL WINS A POINT IN A TRIAL OF WIT

Villa of Crimes Was Open to Sleuthing Men For Twelve Days

BONES THOSE OF A DOG

Pound and a Half All He Is Supposed to Prove Responsibility For

(By Associated Press.) Versailles, Nov. 23.—The defense in the trial of Henry Landru, charged with eleven murders, was considered by those present in court today to have had its best day since the trial opened. The belief was based on the fact that the defense proved by witnesses for the prosecution that Landru's villa at Gambais, where the murders are alleged to have been committed, remained unprotected between April 13, the date of the first search of the premises, at which time nothing but the bodies of two dogs were found, and April 25, three days prior to the second search when a pound and a half of bones, which the prosecution claims belonged to human beings, were discovered.

Jury Seems Impressed.

The jury seemed greatly impressed when counsel for the defense compared the testimony of Fernando Segret, who lived with Landru from late in 1917, up to the time he was arrested, in April, 1919, with that of Police Inspector Dault.

Mademoiselle Segret testified yesterday that she built a fire in the kitchen range at Gambais on April 5 and noticed nothing strange among the ashes. It was in this range that the prosecution alleged Landru burned his victims. Inspector Dault swore that on April 28 a portion of the pound and a half of bones produced in court were found in this range.

BERT HODGE POST IS HOST TO ST. JOHNS; TO HAVE BUGLE CORPS

Much Business Transacted Between Social Amenities.

Honored by a visit of thirty members of St. Johns Post American Legion from St. Augustine last night, Bert Hodge Post held one of its most successful meetings. Reports of committees of Armistice Day celebration were read and unanimously adopted.

C. Howard Rowton, of the Drum and Bugle Corps committee, reported that he had received the heartiest of co-operation from the Rotarians, Kiwanians and Chamber of Commerce, each of these organizations having pledged to donate \$75.00 to the organization and maintenance of the corps. The Legion will donate a like amount. This corps will be called the KRAC Drum and Bugle Corps of Palatka, its name being derived from the first four letters of the four organizations making possible its success. It will be composed of twenty-two members, who will be in uniform and will be led and directed by "Biddie" Shearouse.

Reports of the Armistice Day celebration were approved by the Post, and a vote of thanks authorized to every citizen not a member of the

DEPUTY UNITED STATES MARSHAL WANDERS AWAY FROM MIAMI AND IS BELIEVED LOST IN EVERGLADE

(By Associated Press)

Miami, Nov. 23.—The sheriff's forces tonight gave up the search of the Everglade country for Deputy United States Marshal A. W. Oberlin, missing since a week ago Tuesday, in the belief that he has suffered a lapse of memory and is still living. Oberlin, while once before running for mayor of Canton, O., during the war, disappeared. He was found several months later working in a government ship yard as a common laborer.

Oberlin's abandoned automobile was found near the Tamiami trail canal last Friday. When it was identified today it was learned that Oberlin had not returned home. His wife had believed him to be away on business connected with his office here. Sheriff's deputies at once began a search of the country surrounding and dragged the canal but without result.

Mr. Oberlin came to Miami and engaged in the real estate business about three years ago. On a \$125 investment he is said to have made a profit of \$18,000.

WORST TAX LAW EVER ENACTED NOW A LAW, PRESIDENT ATTACHING HIS SIGNATURE AN HOUR AFTER FINISH

WAR SECURITIES RISE TO NEW LEVELS WITH VICTORY NOTES AT PAR

(By Associated Press.) New York, Nov. 23.—Most of the Liberty bonds issued by the United States government to meet expenses of the world war mounted to new high records for the year on the stock exchange today, while Victory four and three-quarter notes duplicated their recent record of par for add lots.

Liberty three and a half made the greatest gain at a net advance of 76 cents per \$100, to 96. The first four and a quarter rose thirty cents, to 95.40, the second four and a quarter 24 cents to 95.24, and the fourth four and a quarters 36 cents to 95.84.

Legion who helped make the celebration a success. Resolutions were also adopted thanking these citizens for their help.

Money Left from Celebration.

Chairman of the finance committee, E. D. Ferrell, read his report in which he stated that after all disbursements had been made, there was a balance of eleven hundred dollars left in the treasury, which amount was at the disposal of the Legion.

A resolution was adopted thanking James R. Mellon for the handsome bronze tablet which was unveiled to Putnam county's dead on Armistice Day. Copies of this resolution were ordered published and a copy forwarded to Mr. Mellon.

Among the St. Augustine visitors who addressed the meeting were Dr. J. Burnie Griffin, Post Commander of St. Johns Post; J. W. Roddenberry, Forrest Davies, (Questley Bennett and "Neil of the Navy" Phillips. Each made a very good talk, in which the local post was congratulated upon having such an enthusiastic membership and such a live organization. Good fellowship pervaded the atmosphere and to show their appreciation of the invitation to Palatka, the visitors sang several songs.

Rev. J. F. Savell was a visitor and

WANTS A BIG TREE SPREAD WITH GOODIES FOR KIDDIES

Committee Meets to Carry Out Orders of Jolly Old Codger

WILL HAVE FINE TREE

Every Individual in City Is Urged to Be In On the Festivities

A big Community Christmas tree is demanded by Santa Claus in an aerogram received yesterday morning by Wayman Houston, who was chairman of the arrangements here last Christmas for the tree which was erected for Palatka children. It brought immediate action, and yesterday afternoon a meeting of committees from the various organizations of the city was held at the Chamber of Commerce rooms to plan for carrying out old St. Nicholas' orders.

Chairman Houston read the aerogram, dated at Saskatchewan, indicating that Santa was coming south a good deal earlier this year. It said: "I will be in Palatka Christmas. You must provide a Christmas tree for the children. Please make the arrangements and wireless me care North Pole. Signed, St. Nicholas."

When this communication was read to the committees assembled they all voted that the orders be carried out and Mr. Houston was jammed back into the chairman's chair. Ernest Rowton was made royal custodian of funds and Jim Hart was ordered to act as secretary and generalissimo. Following the completion of the official list there was a general discussion of campaign plans.

To Divide Up the Work.

Committees will be named to look after the various details so that when Old Santa arrives he will not be disappointed. There will be a committee to secure the tree, a committee to prepare the music, a committee to secure the presents for Santa's inspection, a committee to see to decorations and another to form the children in lines so that there will not be the confusion which existed last Christmas. This was severely criticized by Santa Claus. It is necessary to have a little money. Last night the American Legion made its contribution. The other organizations of the city will be called on, as well as individuals. The Rotary and Kiwanis clubs will do their share, and the names of those who contribute to the fund will be published.

All contributions should be sent to Secretary Jimmy Hart at once, and the full list of contributors will be published in The News as soon as the first contribution is received.

Jury Trying Boy in Jax Disagrees

(By Associated Press.) Jacksonville, Nov. 23.—The jury which heard the case of Tom Hysler, Jr., 14 years old, charged with the murder of J. A. Harvey, 21, at White House October 30, was discharged late tonight when it failed to reach a verdict after seven hours of deliberation.

Jury of violating the Mann act. The jury deliberated an hour before reaching its verdict.

BOSS OWL CONVICTED.

(By Associated Press.) Indianapolis, Nov. 23.—John W. L. Talbot, of South Bend, Ind., Supreme President of the Order of Owls was found guilty today by a federal court